Mothers of 2 Girls Who Died After Gardasil HPV Vaccine Sue Merck

By Paul Donsky, Atlanta Journal-Constitution

Two mothers who say their daughters died after receiving a bundled injection to prevent the cervical cancer virus have sued Merck, alleging the drugmaker failed to warn the public about medical problems about the risk of injury or death from its Gardasil human papillomavirus vaccine.

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Melissa Tiernan holds a photo of her daughter, Shelby Tiernan, who died at age 19. (Photo: Jason Getz / AJC)

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The mothers of two girls who died after receiving the Gardasil human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine are suing Merck.

Lawyers from Weiser Kazmi PLLC filed two new wrongful death lawsuits in the state and federal courts of Georgia on behalf of Melissa Tiernan and Isabella Gugel and the mother of 16-year-old Sydney Figueroa.

Both mothers contend the HPV vaccine caused serious autoimmune and neurological dysfunction, ultimately resulting in the deaths of their daughters, according to a [press release](#).

Isabella Gugel, age 15 years old when she received her first and only Gardasil vaccine, died on Dec. 31, 2021.

According to a [coroner's report](#), Isabella Gugel was found in the Western District of North Carolina. Isabella was a happy, healthy girl with no major health issues prior to receiving the HPV vaccine. She loved reading, especially books about fairies.

Two weeks after the shot, Isabella developed [postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome](#) and [mast cell activation disorder](#). Merck's Gardasil diagnosed her with [cystic](#) [pancreatic](#) and [pharyngeal](#) (MCAS) embolisms.

MCAS embolisms, according to the lawsuit, are [blockages](#) of the arteries of the central nervous system.

Isabella died from it. Sydney, the coach's sister, died from an acute encephalopathy with [pancreatitis](#) and [pulmonary](#) embolisms.

Sydney died on June 2, 2021, at the age of 14, from a pulmonary embolism directly attributable to prolonged immobility related to her autoimmune [encephalopathy](#) and [pancreatitis](#).

A [report](#) filed on her behalf alleges that Julie Gerberding, then the director of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), failed to disclose to the vaccine advisory committee that [Merck's own clinical trial data](#) provided evidence that Gardasil's efficacy was unproven and that the vaccine was potentially dangerous.

"Gardasil destroyed my daughter's life," said Lynne Gushman, Sydney's mother. "Merck knew the risks and hid them from us. Merck knew the vaccine was unsafe and ineffective. Merck knew that Gardasil could kill our children."

Isabella's and Sydney's cases will become part of the [Gardasil multidistrict](#) [litigation](#), where over 700 [similar cases are pending](#).

The senseless deaths of these two beautiful young girls bring home the seriousness of the allegations against Merck in these cases — that the company knowingly put profits before people," said [Mark Lanier](#), lead counsel for the cases, including Isabel — of for the sake of the corporate bottom line," said Weiser Kazmi attorney Moshtaq Akram.

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My friend vaccinated HPV and learned anything from the "covid" vaccinations. It's the vaccines are harmful and potentially deadly. Shame on the CDC and Merck.

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Truth Remaining: Parents are NOT given FULL disclosure on vaccines (or pharmaceuticals for that matter). Most are the INVERSE! Letter of patients to their doctors, pharmacists, and vaccine manufacturers, and they are not given the information they need to make informed decisions.

However, due to the toxicity and side effects of most pharmaceuticals (if not all), I would NEVER take any pharmaceutical or vaccine myself, and I would NEVER give them to my own child. I'm extremely fortunate that my own family is not among the victims.

Parents need to learn to do their own research and take control of there and their children's health.

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My kids will unfortunately NEVER be old enough to be the brain-map builder. Cut these sick people off from the rest of society.

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The HPV vaccine was known to cause catastrophic health events for many years, yet it was still pushed on children. Merck knew it was dangerous and they knew it was ineffective, which also has a lawsuit to prove. When the world finds out how the world industry corrupted medicine, it will be a dark day.

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And my primary care provider wonders why I won't take one if his shots. I'll take my chances with the virus. Especially since I've had it and have natural immunity.

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Merck is a criminal enterprise and a traitor. I know the families who received the Gardasil injections, but nothing will bring their daughters back. I do not trust the medical establishment because of the corruption and lies I've seen.

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These kids are so disgusting. HPV is an STI and they know that. But they would never tell you that. Instead they'll tell you it prevents cervical cancer. Which is a lie. Cervical cancer is from HPV virus, but cervical cancer from HPV virus is caused cancer (For obvious reasons.) Did you know that cervical cancer is the most curable cancer? Did you know that the HPV vaccine actually causes the cancer it claims it prevents? Did you know all cancer is a self-inflicted disease? I know these kids, I watch the lies it, and that they would also have an

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